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Subject: 1/4 wave vs 5/8 wave

To: ham-ant@ucsd.edu

Sorry guys I am a CB operator. Just wondering if I can get some good information on 1/4 wave antennas and 5/8 wave antennas, preferably omnidirectional type. Currently, I have a 1/4 wave Antron-99 and was planning on upgrading on a 5/8 wave due to some overall wave pattern efficiencies. Would it make a big difference on my setup when properly grounded??

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Date: Thu, 30 Sep 1993 23:05:07 GMT

From: swrinde!sdd.hp.com!portal!lhaven.UUmh.Ab.Ca!combdyn!

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Subject: Ethernet Cable for Amateur Use

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In article <28d82s$7f2@hpchase.rose.hp.com> cmoore@rose.hp.com (Chris Moore)
writes:
>Tom Bruhns (tomb@lsid.hp.com) wrote:
>: Glenn D. O'Donnell (gdo@aloft.att.com) wrote:
>: : I have obtained a good amount of Teflon thick Ethernet coax cable.
>: : I would like to use it for my amateur antennas. It's shielded beyond
>: : belief with a braid-foil-braid-foil setup. Does anybody know how it's
>: : electrical characteristics relate to other popular coax types such as
>: : Belden 9913? I'm well aware that it is 50 ohm and expensive. :-)
>: It's time to once again post, from "Reference Data for Engineers,"
>( Lot's of cryptic technical stuff deleted. :-)
>Here's what my Belden catalog says. I'm not sure this is the same cable
>you have, but it sounds like it might be:
>Belden 9880
>Product Description:
>Solid bare copper center conductor; cellular PE insulation; foil shield,
>93% tinned copper braid, Duofoil shield, 95% tinned copper braid;
>Yellow PVC jacket, ring-band stripes marked every 2.5 meters.
>Outside diameter .405 inches.
>Impedance 50 Ohms
>Velocity Factor 78%
>Capacitance 26 pf/ft
>Attenuation 1.20db/100ft at 50 MHz
>
         .52db/100fg at 10 MHz
>Hope this helps.
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Hmmm, I'm presently using thin-ethernet cable for my antenna run. Its horrible but I was in a hurry to get going and I just added 100' to an order I was making. Now I want something better.

I guess I'll try thick ethernet cable (we don't use it here at the office, but I can get it through the same supplier).

One is 9880 (actually about the same cost as the thin ethernet), what's the attenuation at 440 MHz? What's the difference between this stuff and 89880? Besides the 89880 being 10 times more expensive? How about 9901?

Of course after I get this cable, I have to find ends for it. My current antenna lead has a PL259 on one end (a push on connector that I got from Radio Shack) and a BNC connector which is normal for Thin-Ethernet. I'd

want to keep similar ends if I changed cables....maybe PL259 at both ends, but apparently the norm for thick ethernet is N connectors.....of course I have to crimp my own...which means buying a tool to do it.... --EMAIL-----FAX------| WORK: lawrence@combdyn.com | (403)529-2162 | (403)529-2516 | CallSign | HOME: dreamer@lhaven.uumh.ab.ca | (403)526-6019 | (403)529-5102 | VE6LKC \_\_\_\_\_\_ disclamer = (working\_for && !representing) + (Combustion Dynamics Ltd.); ---------Date: Thu, 30 Sep 1993 20:58:03 GMT From: news.kpc.com!kpc!nat@decwrl.dec.com Subject: Greasing a rotor To: ham-ant@ucsd.edu Ηi, I need to regrease my antenna rotor. Any advice on what kind I should use. I have a can full of white lithium based stuff that I use on my bike. Is this heavy duty enough for an antenna rotor. Could the experienced folks give me some advice. Thanks in advance Nat. Natarajan Gurumoorthy AB6SJ Kubota Pacific Computer, Inc. nat@kpc.com 2630 Walsh Avenue Phone 408 987 3341 Santa Clara, California 95051. \_\_\_\_\_ Date: Thu, 30 Sep 1993 18:15:29 GMT From: swrinde!sdd.hp.com!hpscit.sc.hp.com!hplextra!hpfcso!hplvec! scott@network.ucsd.edu Subject: Parallel Dipole To: ham-ant@ucsd.edu Thanks to those who responded to my request for information about trimming a parallel dipole to resonance. I've started the process working from 80/75 up. It is an interesting, slow and painfull process :-) Thanks again for the responses.

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Date: Fri, 1 Oct 1993 05:05:44 GMT

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Subject: Re: Directional 50MHz Antenna for radio phone?

oseiler@unixg.ubc.ca (Oliver Seiler) writes:

>Somebody asked what a radio phone is... Well, it's a phone that uses radio :)
>Seriously, usually what it is is an addition to your normal phone line that
>receives in the radio band (and other bands) from a remote handset. Yes, sort
>of like a cordless, but much more powerful. You can use them from greater
>distances, like in a city. Some are analog, others are digital. Most seem
>to use UHF.

I have written a rather long e-mail giving some help to Oliver, plus the information of the amateur radio society so he can also call there and ask. As of now, he hasn't replied yet (we are local.) None of us has any clue what kind of help he thinks he needs.

I guess we don't have to take this seriously, let's wait till Oliver makes it more clear before we can help.